

Second Sunday of Easter
April 24, 2022

8:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

Prelude

8:30 - *O Sons and Daughters of the King* (Hymn 317) -Wilbur Held

11:00 - *Trumpet Tune* - Douglas Wagner

Call to Worship

Soar we now where Christ has led,

Following our exalted Head;

Made like him, like him we rise;

Ours the cross, the grave, the skies!

Opening Hymn No. 304 - Easter People, Raise Your Voices**

Easter people raise your voices

Sounds of heaven in earth should ring

Christ has brought us Heaven's choices

Heavenly music let it ring

Alleluia. Alleulia.

Easter people let it sing

Fear of death can no more stop us

From our pressing here below

For our Lord empowered us

To triumph over every foe

Alleluia. Alleluia.

On to victory now we go

Every day to us is Easter

With its resurrection song

When in trouble move the faster

to our God who rights the wrong

Alleluia. Alleluia.

See the power of heavenly throngs.

Invocation

Lord of Life, submitting to death, you conquered the grave. By being lifted on a cross you drew all people to you. By being raised from the dead you restored to humanity all that we had lost in sin. Throughout these fifty days of Easter we proclaim the marvelous mystery of death and Resurrection. For all praise is yours, now and throughout eternity. Amen.

PROCLAMATION

The Word of God is read and proclaimed for all ages

Scripture Reading

Matthew 28:16-20 (New Testament page 34/32)

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

God's Word for Young Disciples

Anthem

8:30 - *He Never Failed Me Yet* - Robert Ray

11:00 - *Behold the Lamb* - Dottie Rambo

Sermon - Let's Go!

Rev. Angela Lewis, District Superintendent, Canal District

Hymn of Response No. 364** - Because He Lives

God sent His son, they called Him, Jesus; He came to love, heal and forgive;
He lived and died to buy my pardon,
An empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives!
Because He lives, I can face tomorrow, Because He lives, all fear is gone; Because I know He holds the future,
And life is worth the living,
Just because He lives!

How sweet to hold a newborn baby,
And feel the pride and joy he gives;
But greater still the calm assurance:
This child can face uncertain days because He Lives!
Because He lives, I can face tomorrow, Because He lives, all fear is gone; Because I know He holds the future,
And life is worth the living,
Just because He lives!

And then one day, I'll cross the river,
I'll fight life's final war with pain;
And then, as death gives way to vict'ry,
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He reigns!
Because He lives, I can face tomorrow, Because He lives, all fear is gone; Because I know He holds the future,
And life is worth the living,
Just because He lives!

Discipleship Moment

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and

the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

The people of God are sent forth to serve others and witness to their faith.

Closing Hymn No. 327 - Crown Him with Many Crowns

Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne,
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King
through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of life,
who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife
for those he came to save.
His glories now we sing,
who died, and rose on high,
who died, eternal life to bring,
and lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of peace,
whose power a scepter sways
from pole to pole, that wars may cease,
and all be prayer and praise.
His reign shall know no end,
and round his pierced feet
fair flowers of paradise extend
their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of love;
behold his hands and side,
those wounds, yet visible above,
in beauty glorified.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
For thou hast died for me;
thy praise and glory shall not fail
throughout eternity.

Benediction and Choral Response - (Hymn No. 322)

**Up from the grave he arose; with a mighty triumph o'er his foes; he arose a victor from the dark domain,
and he lives forever, with his saints to reign. He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!**

Postlude

8:30 - *O Sons and Daughters of the King* - Jean Lainglais

11:00 - *Prelude in Classic Style* - Gordon Young



The flowers on the altar are dedicated to the glory of God and given:

in loving memory of Maurice and Jean Gilbert, by Dale Gilbert and Millie Keyser;
in honor of Joe and Linda Demeter's 27th anniversary, by Sarah Demeter.

Liturgists: 8:30- Kennedie Ward; 11:00 - Tim Zuschin

Service Music: 8:30 - Epworth Choir; 11:00 - Chancel Choir

Altar Guild: Jen LaFleur, Carol Lewis

Music: One License A-731491

****Please rise as you are able. Please silence all cell phones and other electronic equipment. Hearing devices and large print hymnals are available in the narthex. CDs of the service are available by signing up at the Welcome Center.**

CHURCH NOTES

OPEN M Speaker: Beth Boggins from Open M will speak at the Acts of Grace Circle meeting **TOMORROW, April 25, at 7 p.m.** in the church Parlor. The Executive Director will also be there to share. Everyone is welcome to attend. Find out more about this vital ministry.

Mark Kroos Concert: This **Tuesday, April 26, at 7 p.m.** guitarist Mark Kroos returns to First Church for a concert. Mark will play two guitar necks at the same time. His instrumental style is characterized by open harmonies, polyphonic textures, incredible tapping technique, and is as entertaining to watch as it is to listen. His performances burst with energy and magnetism not typical of solo guitar music.

Master Singers Chorale: The Chorale will present "French Masterworks" next Sunday, May 1, at 3 p.m. in the sanctuary. The program will showcase works by Gabriel Fauré and Théodore Dubois. The concert is free of charge. A freewill offering will be taken. Join us for an afternoon of music!

UMW Accessory Sale: It's back! The sale will take place on Saturday, May 14, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Wesley Hall. We are asking for donations of gently used jewelry, purses, and scarves. The deadline for donations is Sunday, May 8. All money raised goes to missions.

Vacation Bible School: Go to <http://firstchurchcf.mycokesburyvbs.com> to register for *Food Truck Party*, this year's VBS. Space is limited so don't delay. VBS runs from June 13-17 and there are programs for children aged 3 years to 6th grade. Full details are online.

VBS needs: We are in need of paper towel rolls for a VBS mission project. Please drop off before Sunday, June 5.

Acts of Grace Circle Mission Project: Beds for Kids: When Summit County Children Services social workers enter homes to assess concerns of child abuse and neglect, they frequently find children without safe sleeping conditions. The circle is collecting new twin or crib bedding, sheets, blankets and pillows, etc. Cash donations are also accepted. You may include your donation in the offering plate or drop box, checks made payable to UMW, memo Beds for Kids.

High School Seniors: Seniors will be recognized at worship on Sunday, May 22. We don't want to miss anyone, so please email your name and school to Jen McKenna at epworthyouth2@gmail.com. Hope to see you there!

Parents of Current 6th Graders: Epworth Choir and Youth Group are open to students in grades 7-12. If you have a student who will be starting 7th grade in the fall, we would love to add them to our Epworth email list. Please send their names to Jen McKenna at epworthyouth2@gmail.com.

OPEN M mission project: OPEN has a young female client, Mia, who is pregnant and her husband went back to their home country to try and get a work visa to help out. She has had minimal prenatal care and is in need of supplies when the baby arrives. We are taking a collection of clothes, blankets, gift cards for diapers, etc. to help her out. The baby is due in April and is a girl. Donations can be dropped off at the church or if you have questions you can contact Nancy Lyberger at 330-524-6378.

Holy Land Journey: Revs. Karol and Jim Lewis, PhD would like to invite you to join them on a journey to follow Jesus' footsteps in the Holy Land January 30 - February 7, 2023. Brochures are available at the Welcome Center and in the church office. Lowest price opportunity ends April 30. Call Pastor Karol for more information.

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Do you know how to knit or crochet? First Church Prayer Shawl Ministry has been working hard for many years, knitting and crocheting prayer shawls for many people who are hurting mentally or physically. If you would be willing to help us, please contact Mary Tunstall (330-923-9870) or Kathy Walker (330-338-5900) to get more information.

Financial update:

	<u>Compared to Budget</u>			
	Mar.	Year-to-date	Annual Budget	Projected Actual
	<u>2022</u>	<u>3/31/22</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2022</u>
Income	-\$9,194	-\$12,931	\$780,918	\$767,987
Operating Expenses	-\$2,001	-\$2,946	\$835,345	\$832,399
Total Over/Under	-\$11,195	-\$9,985	-\$54,427	- \$64,412

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MINISTERS & STAFF:

Forrest Waller

HOSPITALIZED:

Paul Beal - Akron General

MEMBERS TO BE REMEMBERED IN PRAYER:

Scott Adie	Don Corbett	David Potter
Bob Ahonen	Jean Finnegan	Robby & Lou Robinson
Shirley Asher	Dave Gohr	Kathi Sawyer
Mary Ellen Atwood	Rose Gregory	Kay Steiner
Alice Becher	Joyce Haberkost	Michael Taucher
Behrman family	Jim Henes	Ken Tunstall
Donna Copeland	George Kirk	Jim Vogel
	Pat Park	Peg Yeager

DEEPEST SYMPATHY & PRAYERS:

Christine Benson and family on the death of her father, Robert Heydorn on 4/19.

Wanda and Ed Jesson on the passing of her father, Denny Lakarosky on 4/12.

Jean and Doug Flinn on the passing of her mother, member Dorothy Ann Duplaga on 4/12.